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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office action, mailed 6 August 2007, time for response to which was set to expire 6 November 2007, finally rejecting claims 32, 35-37, 39-41, 47 and 49. A request for continued examination is enclosed with this response. Reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in light of the proposed amendment and discussion is respectfully requested.